

Understanding Mainland China's
Labour Law and Employment Regulations

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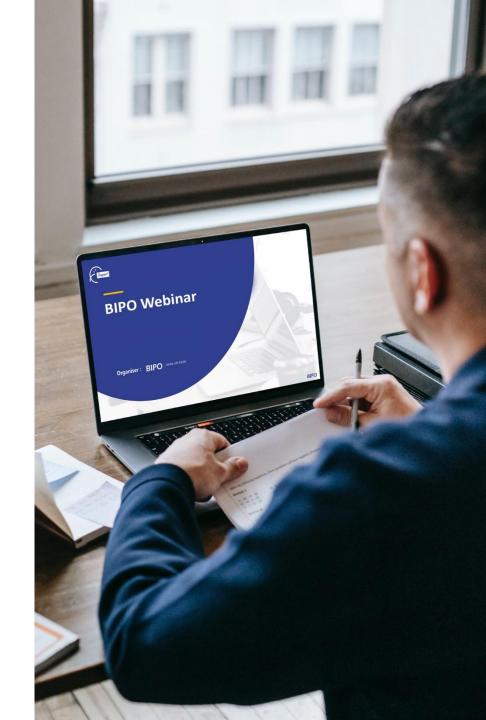
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With Overseas Business Entity Established



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Legal Definition of Labour Relations

<Labour Law of the People's Republic of China> #2

- This Law shall apply to all enterprises and individual economic organizations within the territory of the People's Republic of China (hereinafter referred to as "employers") and workers who form a labour relationship therewith.
 - The subject qualifications of the employers and employees as stipulated by laws and regulations.
 - The various labor regulations and systems formulated by the employers in accordance with the law are applicable to the employees. The employees are subject to the labor management of the employers and engage in the paid work arranged by the employers; and
 - The work provided by the employees is part of the business of the employers.





Minimum wage



Days off and statutory holidays



Leave (with pay)



Legal grounds and restrictions on dismissal



Statutory termination indemnification



Social insurance obligation

Part-time employment: refers to a form of labor for which the remuneration is mainly calculated on an hourly basis, and the average working hours of an employee per day shall not exceed four hours and the aggregate working hours per week shall not exceed 24 hours for the same Employer.







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Work-related Injury Insurance

Rules Concerning the Form and Duration of Labor Contracts with Employees

China Mainland	Contract Starting Date	Termination Date	Probation Period
Fixed term	Clear	Clear	set as per the contract term, and it shall not exceed 6 months;
Non-fixed term	Clear	set until the legal termination conditions are met	shall not exceed 6 months
based on certain work assignments	Clear	With the completion of the relevant work items as a mark	×

(Generally) Circumstance to Enforce the Execution of an Open-ended Labor Contract

- The employee has been working for the employer for ten consecutive years;
- Where a fixed-term labor contract has been concluded twice on a continuous basis, and the employee, who is not under any of the circumstances stipulated in Article 39 and Items 1 and 2 of Article 40 hereof, renews his or her labor contract.



Mutual Agreement of the Parties

Advance notice period: upon discussion

Proposed by the employee Acceptance by the employer

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The employee

dvance notice period:
Statutory

30 days in advance

Probationary period

3 days in advance

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Termination of the Labour Contract

Advance notice period: 0
(with exceptions)

Expiry of employment contract

On pension insurance/ up to retirement age

Dead or declared dead

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Early Dissolution of Employer etc.

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Statutory Wage Structure & General Rules of Payment

Wages:

- 1. Wages paid to workers by employers in various forms in accordance with the provisions of a labour contract.
- 2. Wages shall be paid in legal tender. Payment in kind and in negotiable securities may not be substituted for payment of legal tender.

Hourly Piece rate Wage Bonus

Allowance

Subsidy Overtime Pay Wages paid in exceptional circumstances

Payment carriers		Legal Currency (CNY)					
			Eligible Method of Payment	Time of Payment			
Payment	Full-time	Salary shall be paid at least once a month	Personal receipt	Paid in advance in case of statutory holidays	Can be collected in advance by other person as entrusted		
Period			Bank transfer	Paid at the agreed time			
Part-time Shall be paid once every 15 days							
	on of pay rolls years for reference)	Wage amount, item, time, name of employee					
	that may be cted by Law	 Child support and maintenance p Other expenses that can be dedu Compensation for the economic 	n that shall be borne by the employee to be a shall be withheld according the december of the control of the co	ing to the judgments and rulings of the court; bulated by laws and regulations (housing provident employee's reason: the monthly deduction shall no			

Statutory Wage Structure & General Rules of Payment

Hourly wages refer to:

- Labor remuneration paid to individuals according to the time rate and working hours. For example:
 - 1. Wages paid for finished works according to the time rate;
 - 2. Basic wages and job (post) wages paid to employees by an entity that implements structural wages;

Piece-rate wages refer to:

Labor remunerations paid for finished work according to the piece-rate unit price. For example:

- 1. Wages paid to individuals according to the labor quota and piece-rate determined in accordance with the law;
- 2. Wages paid to individuals in the form of task contract; and
- 3. Wages paid to individuals by drawing a percentage of commission from turnover or profit.

Hourly wage

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Allowance

Bonus

Subsidy

Overtime Pay Wages paid in exceptional circumstances

- The minimum remuneration for labour payable by the employer in accordance with the law, provided that the worker
 has provided normal labour during the statutory working hours or the working hours agreed in the employment
 contract.
- Employers who adopt such forms of wages as piece-rate wages or commission wages shall not pay workers less than the corresponding minimum wage on the basis of scientific and reasonable labour quotas.

Work performed during statutory working hours or during the working hours agreed in the employment contract

During statutory leave such as annual leave, marriage and bereavement leave, maternity leave, etc.

During statutory working hours while participating in social activities in accordance with the law

	Full-time labour relationship	Part-time labour relationship
2023	(Shanghai) 2590 yuan/month	(Shanghai) 23 yuan/hour



Statutory Wage Structure & General Rules of Payment

Hourly wage Piece rate wage

Bonus

Allowance

Subsidy Overtime Pay

Wages paid in exceptional circumstances

Bonus

 Excess labour remuneration paid to employees and labour remuneration for income and cost savings

- Anual salary of 13 months: to be agreed by both parties
- Year-end Bonus: to be agreed by both parties
- Bonus paid based on deliverables: to be agreed by both parties

Allowance

Allowances to compensate employees for special or additional labour consumption

Compulsory payment matters:

Allowances established to safeguard the health of employees working in special environments
and positions, such as high temperature allowances, field allowances, underground allowances,
sanitation and epidemic prevention allowances and regional allowances for employees working
in high temperature, underground, dusty and toxic environments and those exposed to
radiation or in special areas.

Subsidy

- Various allowances paid to ensure that employees' wage
 levels are not affected by price increases or changes
- N/A

Working Hours & Payment for Overtime

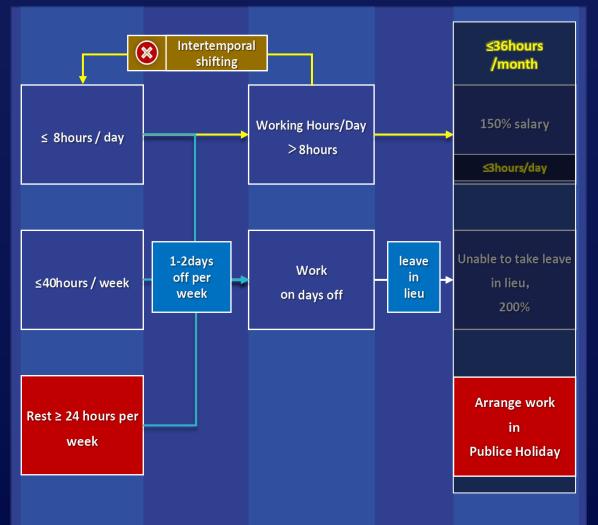
Hourly wage Piece rate wage

Bonus Allowance

Subsidy

Overtime Pay Wages paid in exceptional circumstances

	36	 The State shall practice a working hour system wherein laborers shall work for no more than eight hours a day and no more than 44 hours a week on the average.
	38	The employer shall guarantee that its laborers have at least one day off a week.
<labour law=""></labour>	39	If an enterprise can not follow the stipulations in Article 36 and Article 38 of this Law due to special characteristics of its production, it may follow other rules on work and rest with the approval by labor administrative departments.
	41	 The employer can prolong work hours due to needs of production or businesses after consultation with its trade union and laborers. The work hours to be prolonged, in general, shall be no longer than one hour a day. If an extension of working hours is needed for special reasons, the overtime shall not exceed 3 hours per day under the condition that the health of workers is guaranteed. However, the amount of overtime shall not exceed 36 hours per month.
The State Council <provisions and="" council="" hours="" of="" on="" staff="" state="" the="" workers="" working=""></provisions>	3	The State stipulates the system of working 8 hours per day, and 44 hours per week on the average for workers and staff.



Hourly wage

Piece rate wage

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Allowance

Subsidy

Overtime Pay Wages paid in exceptional circumstances

Public Holiday

Annual leave

Marriage leave

Bereavement Leave

Sick leave

Maternity-related leave

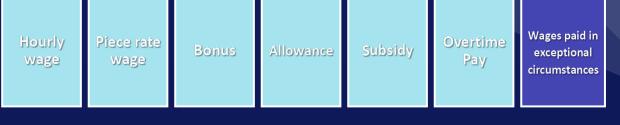
Nursing Leave for the Elderly

	Holidays	Dates	Holiday Arrangements
	New Year's Day	January 1st	One day off
	Spring Festival	Lunar New Year	Three days off from the 1st to 3rd Lunar New Year
	Tomb Sweeping Day	Lunar Ching Ming	One day off
The citizenry	May Day	May 1st	One day off
Holidays off	Dragon Boat Festival	May 5th Lunar New Year	One day off
	Mid- Autumn Festival	August 15th Lunar New Year	One day off
	National Day	October 1sy	Three days off from October 1st to 3rd
	Women's Day	March 8th	Half day off for Women
Some citizens Holidays off	Youth Day	May 4th	Half day off for youth
	Children's Day	June 1st	Half day off for children under 14
	Army Day	August 1st	Half-day holiday for soldiers in active service



- Where a holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday, there shall be no compensatory leave.
- The employer shall pay salary remuneration to the employees who participate in celebrations organized by the society or the employer and who work as usual, but overtime salary shall not be paid for the holidays.





Public Holiday

Annual leave

Marriage leave

Bereavement leave

Sick leave

Maternity Related Leave Nursing Leave for the Elderly

- The statutory holidays and rest days shall not be included in the annual leave period.
- Family leave, marriage leave, bereavement leave, maternity leave and other leaves regulated by the state, and the period of suspension of work but reservation of salary for work-related injuries shall not be calculated into annual leave.

Initial conditions	Social Accumulation Years of work	Days	Treatment	nt Liability for untaken annual leave				
	More than one year	5days	Edove			Summer and winter holidays, with more days off than annual leave Leave of absence of more than 20 days in total without deduction of salary as stipulated by the Company		
	but less than ten years			Exemption arrangements Salary ×100%	Accumulated sick leave during the year	Working more than 1 year but less than 10 years Working more than 10 year but less than 20 years	≥2months	
≥ 1 year of		10days				Working more than 20 years	≥3months ≥4months	
continuous employment of	More than 10years but less than 20 years				Written offer of annual leave exclusion			
work experience				Remaining	Consensual extension of use for one year	Remaining unused annual leave	Days left	
	≥20years	15days		nused annual leave	D	Days left Daily wage ×200% The Next December 31st	Daily wage ×200%	



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<LAW OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA ON EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS > Article 40

- An Employer may terminate an employment contract by giving the Employee himself 30 days' prior written notice, or one month's wage in lieu of notice, if:
- (1) after the set period of medical care for an illness or non-work-related injury, the Employee can engage neither in his original work nor in other work arranged for him by his Employer;
- The medical period refers to the time limit during which an enterprise employee may not terminate his/her employment contract if he/she stops working for treatment of illness or injury not caused by work.

Certification for sick leave (Sick Leave Form)

Medical diagnosis

- During the period of treatment for illness or injury not arising from work, the enterprise shall pay the employee sick pay or sickness relief during the prescribed medical period in accordance with the relevant regulations, which may be less than the local minimum wage but not less than 80% of the minimum wage.
- <Opinions of the Ministry of Labour on Certain Issues Concerning the Implementation of the Labour Law of the People's Republic of China>Article 59

Types	Representatives	Typical provisions
Capped at a percentage of the employee's salary	Shenzhen	Not less than 60% of employee's standard salary
As per corporate system or contractual agreement	Beijing	The enterprise pays sick pay as agreed in the employment contract or collective contract
Pro-rata payment of salary in relation to length of service	Shanghai	Payments are set according to the employee's length of service (2 year increments)

End of Sick Leave → Exhaustion of Medical Period

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Provisions on Medical Treatment Periods for Enterprise Employees Suffering from Sickness or Injury not Attributable to Work (Ministry of Labour [1994] No. 479)

Actual years of working experience	Years of service in this company	Medical treatment period	Medical period calculation cycle
Loss than 10 years	Less than 5 years	3 months	6 months
Less than 10 years	More than 5 years	6 months	12 months
More than 10 years	Less than 5 years	6 months	12 months
	More than 5 years but less than 10 years	9 months	15 months
	More than 10 years but less than 15 years	12 months	18 months
	More than 15 years but less than 20 years	18 months	24 months
	More than 20 years	24 months	30 months

Hourly Piece rate Bonus

Allowance

Overtime Subsidy

Pay

Wages paid in exceptional circumstances

Statutory leave

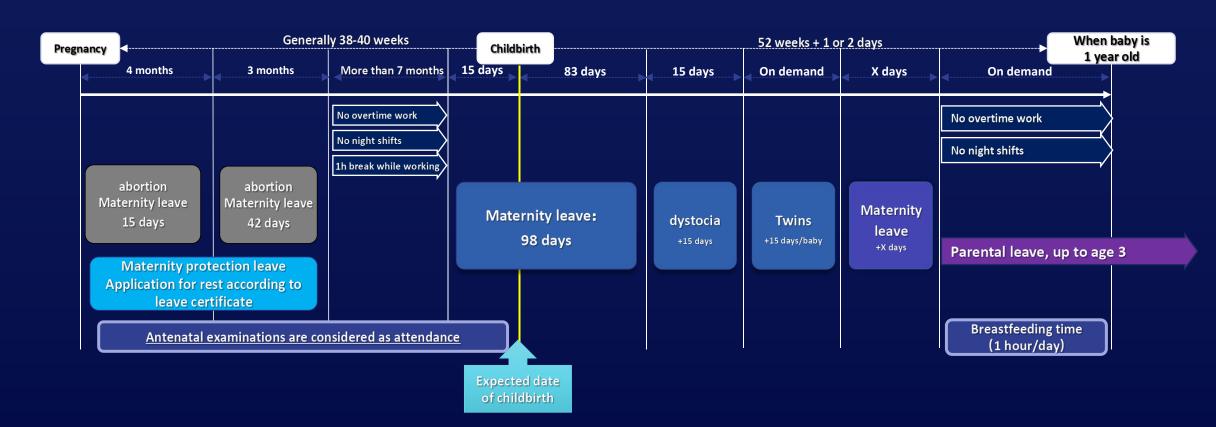
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Maternity Related Leave

Nursing Leave for the **Elderly**





Hourly wage Piece rate wage

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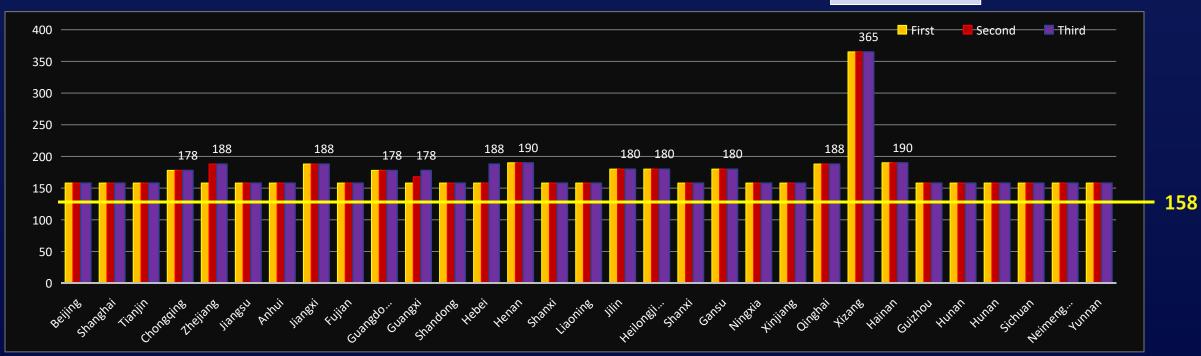
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Nursing Leave

Childcare Leave



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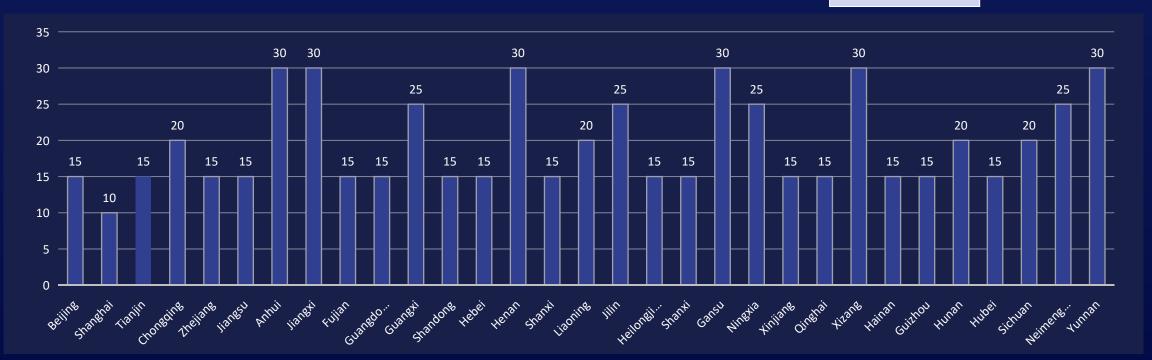
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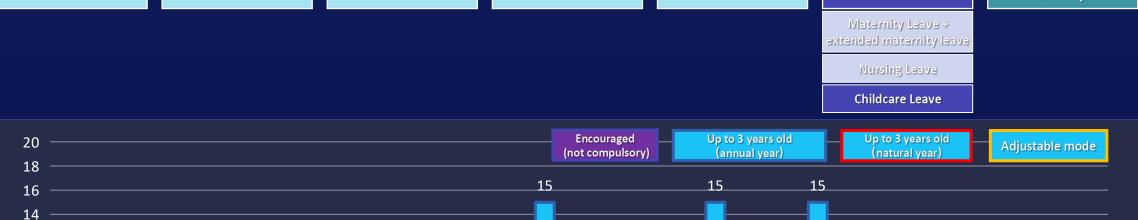
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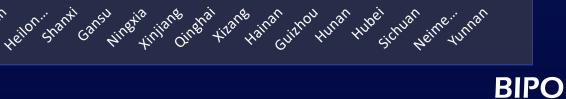
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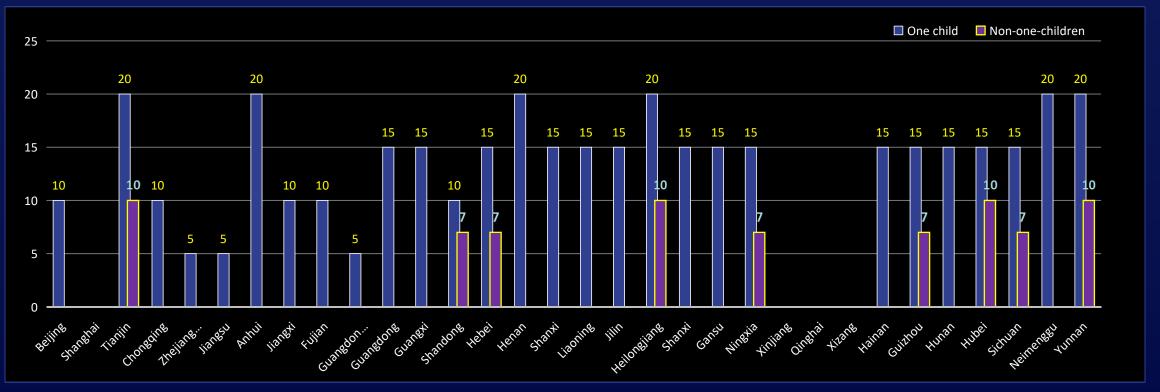
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Working Hours & Leave Hourly wage Piece rate wage Bonus Allowance Subsidy





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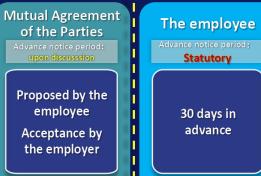
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The Obligation to Participate in Social Security and the Impact on Employment Costs

	tribution matters nghai for example) (Year 2022)	ER	✓ China (Mainland) employees ✓ China (Taiwan, Hong Kong, Macau) employees ✓ Foreign employees		Overseas Employees Exemptions	Insurance base	Lower limit	Upper limit
Socia	Pension insurance	16%		8%			previous year a	level) full-caliber average wage of
Social Insurance	Unemployment insurance	1%	0.5%		Reciprocal exemptions based on bilateral agreements	Employee's previous year Full-calibre	60%	300%
ince	work-related injury insurance	0.2-1.9%				wage income Monthly average	(Year202	22) 11,396
Me	edical insurance	10.5%		2%	N/A		34,188	6,520
	Total rate	26.7-29.4%	10.5%					
Housii	Basic (Mandatory)	5-7% tor each		Voluntary	Reference to social	Previous year	social equality	
fund	~		1-5% for each		participation	security base	Minimum Wage	300%

Basic Rules for Rescission and Termination of Labor Contract and Statutory Compensation Liability



Proposed by the employer Acceptance by the employee

The employee

Probationary period Three days in advance

Immediate Resignation of the Employee

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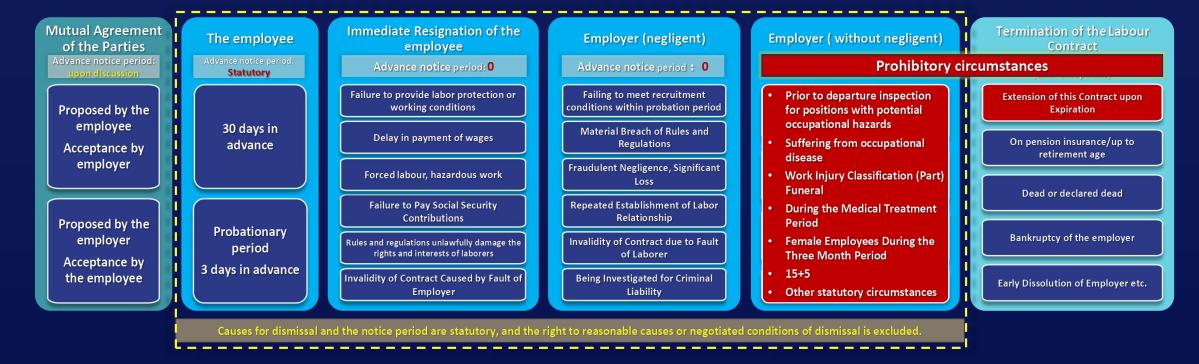
Early Dissolution of Employer etc.

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	Coefficient standard (N)			
	Date of departure – Commencement Date = A year+B Month			
Working		А	N	
period	В	<6	0.5	
		≥6	1	
Upper limit	Base cap, a maximum of 12 months			

	Coefficient standard				
	Avera	Average due salary income for 12 months prior to rescission or termination of the labor contract			
C	include Hourly Wages or Piecework Wages and Bonuses, Allowances and Subsidies				
Scope		Shares, Options, Bonuses and Other Proceeds Related to Investments			
	exclude	Overtime (Shanghai)			
Upper limit	300% the average monthly wage of employees in the previous year as promulgated by the government at the level of municipality directly under the Central Government or city divided into districts at the locality of the employing entity				
Lower limit	Shanghai: 2,	590RMB Minimum Salary Standard at the domicile of the Company			

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<law china="" contracts="" employment="" of="" on="" people's="" republic="" the=""> Article 48</law>	If an Employer terminates or ends an employment contract in violation of this Law and the Employee demands continued performance of such contract, the Employer shall continue performing the same. If the Employee does not demand continued performance of the employment contract or if continued performance of the employment contract has become impossible, the Employer shall pay damages pursuant to Article 87 hereof. = severance pay ×2
<law china="" contracts="" employment="" of="" on="" people's="" republic="" the=""> Article 87</law>	If an Employer terminates or ends an employment contract in violation of this Law, it shall pay damages to the Employee at twice the rate of the severance pay provided for in Article 47 hereof.

Others: Fair Employment Liability

• When an Employer hires an Employee, it shall truthfully inform him as to the content of the work, the working conditions, the place of work, occupational hazards, production safety conditions, labor compensation and other matters which the Employee requests to be informed about. The Employer has the right to learn from the Employee basic information which directly relates to the employment contract, and the Employee shall truthfully provide the same.

| CLAW OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA ON EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS Article 8

<LAW OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA ON EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS> Article 25

An employment contract shall be invalid or partially invalid if:

(1) A party uses such means as deception or coercion, or takes advantage of the other party's difficulties, to cause the other party to conclude an employment contract, or to make an amendment thereto, that is contrary to that party's true intent;

<LAW OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA ON EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS> Article 39

An Employer may terminate an employment contract if the Employee:

(1) Is proved during the probation period not to satisfy the conditions for employment;

No Discrimination:	Gender		Nationality		Race		Religious belief	Persons with disabilities		Migrant workers	Non-active viral carriers of	
	Gender										communicable diseases	

The Company should not know

- Marital and Childbearing
 Status of Women
- Hepatitis B Carriers
- Experience of COVID-19
 Infection

The Company needn't know

- Personal Preferences and Inclinations
- Personal Credit Reporting
- Personal Ethnicity
- Religious Belief
- Physiological Characteristics

The Company shall know

- Age (interval) of personnel
 - Employment taboos
 - Employment qualifications
 - Repeated employment relationship
 - Non-competition obligation

The Company can know

- Personal Educational Background
- Work Related Experience
- Ethnic Background
- Conflict of Interest Matters
- Other Mandatory
 Information

The employee should actively inform

- Name
- Basic identity information
- Contact address and methods
- Experience of criminal punishment







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